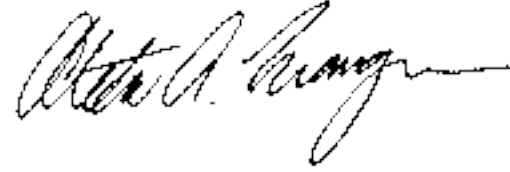


IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE
AT NASHVILLE

Motion GRANTED in
part - extension to
6/25/2021.



FRANK MUCERINO III and
CREEKSIDE TERRACE LLC,

Plaintiffs

v.

CHARLES JOSHUA DALE MARTIN,

Defendant

Case No. 3:21-cv-00284

**DEFENDANT'S MOTION TO EXTEND TIME TO FILE PETITION UNDER THE
TENNESSEE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ACT**

Defendant Charles Joshua Dale Martin moves the Court to extend the time for filing a petition to dismiss this case under the Tennessee Public Participation Act, Tenn. Code Ann. § 20-17-101, *et seq.* In support of this Motion, Defendants states:

1. On April 14, 2021, Plaintiffs served Defendant with the Complaint asserting claims for defamation, among other causes of action. (*See* DE #6.)
2. On May 4, 2021, the Court entered an Order extending Defendant's time to file a responsive pleading and ordered a discovery conference to discuss Defendant's request to conduct jurisdictional discovery. (*See* DE #8.)
3. On May 10, 2021, the Court entered an Order lifting the stay of discovery so the parties could engage in jurisdictional discovery. (*See* DE #9.)
4. Defendant believes the Tennessee Public Participation Act, Tenn. Code Ann. § 20-17-101, *et seq.* (the "TPPA"), affords him defenses to Plaintiffs' defamation claims.